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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: HUMAN LINEAGE COMMITTED CELL

COMPOSITION WITH ENHANCED PROLIFERATIVE

POTENTIAL, BIOLOGICAL EFFECTOR FUNCTION, OR BOTH;

METHODS FOR OBTAINING SAME; AND THEIR USES

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed August 18, 2004, Applicants request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments are on page 6 of this paper.